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TAGS: MASS MILI PFOR EC US

SUBJECT: MAP GRANT TRAINING PROGRAM

REF: STATE 044930 (DTG 251252Z FEB 76)

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO REFTEL:

2. FMS CASE EC-TAB-P-6 IN AMOUNT OF DOLS 100,000 WAS ESTABLISHED IN ORDER TO COVER COSTS OF ECUADOREAN NAVY TRAINING WHICH CANNOT PRESENTLY BE FUNDED UNDER THE FY 76 MAP-T DUE TO FREEZE OF FUNDS AT FY 75 LEVEL. SPECIFICALLY, ONE THREE-YEAR US NAVAL POST-GRADUATE COURSE IS FUNDED UNDER THIS FMS CASE WITH APPROXIMATE VALUE OF DOLS 50,000. THE OTHER FOUR ECUADOREAN NAVY (EN) OFFICERS CURRENTLY UNDERGOING TRAINING IN THE US ARE ALL FUNDED UNDER FY 76 MAP-T. FURTHER USE OF THE FMS CASE FOR US TRAINING WILL ONLY BE RESORTED TO IF THE FREEZE OF MAP-T FUNDING IS NOT LIFTED IN TIME TO MEET SCHEDULED COURSE CONVENING DATES OR FOR ADDITIONAL COURSES DESIRED BY THE ECUADOREAN NAVY AND NOT ORIGINALLY PROGRAMMED FOR FY 76 MAP-T.

3. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE FMS CASE FOR TRAINING IS AN EARNEST OF THE ECUADOREAN NAVY'S ENTHUSIASM FOR US TRAINING AND A TRUE INDICATION OF THE EN RESOLVE TO PURSUE A  
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COURSE OF CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE US NAVY DESCRIBED

BY ADMIRAL POVEDA. FMS TRAINING WILL BE USED TO AUGMENT  
FY 76 MAP-T FUNDS FOR ADDITIONAL COURSES NOT ORIGINALLY  
PROGRAMMED UNDER MAP-T, BUT SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS A  
SUBSTITUTE FOR MAP-T IN FY 76. THE BULK OF PROGRAMMED EN  
NMAP-T FOR FY 76 HAS NOT YET BEEN FUNDED DUE TO THE  
NATURE OF TIMEFRAMES OF COURSE CONVENING DATES (FOURTH  
AND FIFTH QUARTERS). FAILURE TO OBTAIN FULL ECUADOREAN  
MAP-T FUNDING WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE EN TRAINING  
PROGRAM MOST AMONG THE TRAINING PROGRAMS OF THE ECUADOREAN  
ARMED FORCES, RESULT IN A SETBACK TO THE EXCELLENT  
ADVANCES IN FURTHERANCE OF US NAVY - ECUADOREAN NAVY  
RELATIONS REALIZED IN THE PAST NINE MONTHS, AND IN ADDI-  
TION ENDANGER OTHER US INTERESTS IN WHICH THE COOPERATION  
OF THE ECUADOREAN NAVY AND ITS CHIEF ARE ESSENTIAL.  
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